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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos.

Part B. for February 1909

SUBJECT.

Declines to sanction a special Motor allowance to Dr Coleman & passes orders regarding his request for a free motor car

Sl. 1 From the Agricultural Chemist
No: 37 & 14-7-08
Suggests that a special motor car be given to Dr Coleman to enable him to travel with comfort during monsoon in connection with the experiments in hand

Sl. 2 To Rovn. Rev Comr, Comptroller & Dy Comrs Ali
No: 812-72 & 5-8-08.
Requests Dr Coleman to make a fresh inspection in the areca nut farms during the monsoon & report

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attention ~~to Arts 633+634~~ [redacted] us K
regarding his request for enhanced pay.

Sl. 3 From the ~~Agricultural~~ Chemist
No: 116 of 8-8-08.
Forwards Dr Coleman's letter urging ~~the~~ grounds for special allowance during monsoon.

Sl. 4 From the Mycologist & Entomologist
No: 81 of 28-9-08
Puts forward his claim for special allowances & gives an account of spraying experiments.

Sl. 5 To —do— No: 2382 of 21-10-08
Enquires what the spraying apparatus will cost & whether some ryots also may not be induced to try the experiments if they are within their reach.

Sl. 6 From —do— No: 124 of 22-10-08
states that it is advisable to introduce the spraying apparatus to the owners of garden only after the results of investigation prove successful.

Sl. 7 To the Agricultural Chemist
No: R 6084 of 12-2-09
State ~~that~~ there are no reasons justifying the grant of special pay to Dr Coleman and Brown

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FILE HEADING.

Experiments in Tobacco of Lucan

From

The Agricultural Chemist

No. 37 Dated 14-7-08 Received 16-7-08

Diary No. 356	Enclos.	Spare Copies.	Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Suggests that a special monsoon allowance be given to Dr Coleman to enable him to travel with reasonable comfort during the monsoon and recommends the renting of small gardens of Ceylon with Tobacco for the purpose of experiments.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Dr Coleman says that he should be given a travel & halting allowance instead of travelling allowance. The Agr chemist suggests that a special monsoon allowance may be given to Dr Coleman

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to enable him to travel comfortably without spending more money than his travelling allowance will cover. The rates of travelling allowance sanctioned to Dr Coleman as per G.O. No. R 5803-10-1 dated 28-07-10 dated the 10th March 1908 are as follows:- Double 1st class railway fare, mileage at 8 as per mile & Rs 5 halting allowance. Neither the Agri Chemist nor Dr Coleman is specific upon this point. How much Dr Coleman wishes to have for a special monsoon allowance has to be ascertained.

(Not necessary)

As for renting small gardens or of areca nut trees for the purpose of experimenting in Padaroja of Subari, necessary provision has been made in the current year's budget to the extent of Rs 300.

This is not wanted for renting gardens but to carry on experiments in connection with Kolaroja.

Submitted

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As stated by Dr Coleman, in order to find out the nature of Kolaroja, it is

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necessary that he should make a careful examination of the different conditions under which areca is grown during the height of monsoon and select some representative gardens in which he could study the processes of cultivation and the remedial measures to be adopted and demonstrate their utility to the ryots. As this is a principal part of his duties I do not know whether any special allowance is necessary for it. His statement that unless he gets a special monsoon allowance he will have to put off his tour till October is hardly compatible with the earnestness he should display in the matter. He can travel slowly and he will get 1½ times the usual travelling allowance in the Malnad which should be sufficient to cover all reasonable expenses. If any further concession is necessary

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he may be allowed to take the tents required for his occupation at fort cost

As for leasing the gardens, it is possible that he may be able to arrange with the garden-owners with the help of the Dy Commrs to have small portions given over to him for experimental purposes free of cost. If necessary a fair rent may be paid and it will be a fair charge on the experiment.

Say that the first concern in the advisability of Dr Coleman making a tour of inspection in the areas forming taluks in the monsoon months, & trust that he will do so, without delay & report the results of his observations to Govt in due course.

As regards travelling allce, Dr Coleman's attention may be drawn to the fact that the rates for travelling in the mofussil have been

in order to study the conditions under which the Nile rising occurs & spreads,

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purchase fares at 50 per cent more than the ordinary rates as will be seen from Rules 633 & 634 of the R. S. Regls.; but that if he finds even this enhanced rate really insufficient to meet his actual ~~travelling~~ expenses, he may, after his next monsoon tour, furnish forthwith a statement showing in detail the expenses incurred by him during and on account of the tour, when the Govt. will consider what extra allowance if any should be ~~fixed~~ sanctioned.

(in consideration of the difficulties of travelling in these tracts)

Dr Coleman may arrange, in communication with the Dy Commr of Ds, for leasing a small number of canoes (to be kept with) fishermen in various parts of the affected tracts. The rent & other expenses incurred will be debited to the proceeds of the special enquiry cases.

Draft an order as above, & submit to Deputy for appl.

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Submitted with a draft letter
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2 To the Agl. Chemist. Rev Commr. Comptroller & Dy Commrs of Ds
Ro. No. R 812-22. & S 78/08.
Request Dr Clemens to make a tour of inspection in the areca nut growing Taluks during the monsoon months without delay and report the results of his observations to Govt and direct that as regards the enhanced t. a required by Dr Clemens his attention may be invited to Rs 633 & 634 of R.S.R. and that he may arrange in consultation with the Deputy Commissioners of Ds for leasing out a small number of areca gardens in various parts of the affected tracts, the results of the experiments being conducted

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From the Agricultural Chemist
No. 2

Forwards Dr Coleman's letter and makes certain recommendations.

Dr Coleman says that the daily allowance of Rs 7-8-0 admissible to him is inadequate to meet his expenditure in Malnad during monsoon.

Dr Lehmann states that Dr Coleman is prepared to exchange mileage for daily allowance and that he may, in addition to the latter, be given free transit (Govt Motor Car) and some extra allowance as he has however to provide himself with carts to carry his things and servants from place to place which cannot, often, be more than 10 miles distant from each other.

Submitted for orders

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If Dr Coleman has to make long halts, his expenses will be proportionately lessened. No officer is given a special monsoon allowance and it is not known what authority

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Dr Coleman has for his statement that Officers avoid travelling in the hinterland during the monsoon months owing to the costliness of the tour. The spirit in which Dr Coleman has received the order of Govt and the disinclination which he shows to commence work, which he considers of great importance, unless his terms are accepted cannot be commended.

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Before submitting the papers to the Dewan, the opinion of the Financial Secretary may be obtained regarding the request made by Dr Coleman, & the suggestion made by Dr Lehmann.

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To the Fin. Secy (Dewan)
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4. From the Mycologist and Entomologist.
No. 81 dy 28. 9. '08.
Presses his claims forward for a special allowances. and gives an account of Spraying experiments.

5 To
The Same officer
No R 82 dy 21. 10. 08
Enquires what the Spraying apparatus will cost & whether some ryots also may not be induced to try the experiments if they are within their reach.

6. From the Same officer.
No 124 dy 22-10.'08.
~~States that it is not advisable to induce the ryots to try the this experiments at this Stage~~

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From the Mycologist & Entomologist No 1127 of 22.10.08

States that it is advisable to introduce the Spraying apparatus to the owners of Supari gardens only after the results of his investigations into the Kole roga prove successful.

This is a reply to the Enquiry made on his letter reporting the result of his trial to check the Kole roga made in July last.

No action seems to be necessary at the present stage.

The connected file has been sub'd to the Dewan in connection with the question of special travelling allowance to Dr Coleman, on which orders have not been passed

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Special allowance to Dr Coleman was refused in Go. 6084/Agri 6-08-8 of 12.2.09. The connected papers had been taken away by the Fin Dep. on their receipt from the Dewan. These papers may be ordered to be filed as no further orders are required to be passed.

Submitted
21/3/09

Yes

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Mr. Coleman seems to be labouring under some misconception regarding the nature of travelling allowances. He is entirely mistaken in thinking that the enhanced rate of T.A. given for travelling in the mahal is for meeting the additional expense of provision &c. T.A. are not intended to meet charges of this nature at all and they are given to reimburse an officer for only the actual travelling expenses he is obliged to incur in the interests of the public service, while travelling or halting on duty.

Another misapprehension is that articles 633 & 634 have reference only to D.A. and not T.A. Mr. Coleman is probably unaware that the primary T.A. is the D.A. & that it is only in certain circumstances that an officer can exchange his D.A. for mileage.

Being however a provincial officer, Mr. Coleman has got the option of drawing either D.A. or mileage for all distances travelled irrespective of any minimum limit. But this special concession does not alter the character of the different T.As.

Mr. Coleman's chief contention is that the sum of Rs 7/8, the D.A. he gets in the Malnad is not adequate for his transport and extra cost of provisions. If he is informed that the cost of provisions should be met from his pay & not from T.As, he will probably see that his claim for a special monsoon allowance is untenable.

Now that travelling in the Malnad is neither so difficult

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modify in the direction of economy the provisions of art 634 M&R. In these circumstances Mr. Coleman's claim to a monsoon allowance is quite untenable. Such allowance is not given to any of the provincial or District officers who have much touring work to do in the mahal.

What rate of Rs 1 formed adequate in the case of officers of his rank ~~that~~ ought to suffice in the case of Mr. Coleman also. The request for a higher allowance is inadmissible.

As regards the supply of a motor car, it is not known if one can be supplied whenever Mr Coleman may require it. There are but a few for hire.

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Besides as a touring officer Mr Coleman has to keep at his own expense the required Conveyances for his tours. Other touring officers are not supplied with Conveyances by Govt and it is at once inconvenient and expensive for Govt to undertake ~~such~~ supply Conveyances. If a motor car is necessary Mr. Coleman may buy one & Govt have recently decided to help touring officers with advances for purchasing motor cars.

If a Govt car is provided, he can get only the allowances admissible under art 537 M&R the provisions of which are more liberal than those of the corresponding art in C&R

Another point

The rule in C.S.R has been revised
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may also be noted. The sanctioned pay of an appointment takes into account the duties & responsibilities of the appointment and compensation in the form of special allowances for the performance of ordinary duties of an office is neither due nor permissible on principle. The investigation of Kole roga can not be considered as outside the ordinary duties of the Govt Entomologist & Mycologist and the only allowance payable to the ordinary Cy. under the rules.

I agree generally.

Mr. Coleman practically says that unless Govt give him the demanded extra allowance he will not do his duty.

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The attitude taken is serious and demands in the interests of discipline of the public service, serious consideration.

The attitude is all the more inexplicable as Dr Coleman has in the past been very generously treated by Govt. in pecuniary matters, an advance of Rs 7200/- having been sanctioned for him before he entered service of which nearly Rs 6000/- is still outstanding.

It should be explained to Dr Coleman in courteous but firm language that the travelling allowance of an officer cannot be regulated on the basis of his actual expenditure for each individual trip. The difference in the style of travelling of different officers and the variation in expensiveness of different kinds of journeys in various parts of the Province make such regulation of travelling allowance to suit each individual tour of each individual officer impossible. Govt. has after mature consideration laid down a scale of allowance which officers can draw irrespective of their actual expenses. It is believed that those rates pay the officers in the long run — in fact it is generally

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admitted that the rates leave a little margin

Copies of Art 534 and Art 6 of the M. S. R. maybe supplied to Dr C to enable him to clearly see the items of expenditure expected to be covered by travelling allowance taking together journeys in all parts and in all seasons.

The grant of full daily allowance at maximum rates (Rs 7/8) in addition to a free motor car is inadmissible. Besides, I do not think it is possible to place a motor car at his disposal.

It should be added in conclusion that with the explanations now given Dr Coleman will perhaps see why the allowances admissible under the rules are considered sufficient by Govt; and that Govt feel confident that their decision regarding the additional allowance demanded by Dr Coleman under a misapprehension of the nature of travelling allowance will not prevent him from discharging with his usual zeal & ability his duties to the State, one of the most important parts of which at the present time is the study of

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Submitted
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8/9/08.
BK 8/9/08
Pray an order be issued as here g the Fuel Leg's note. We are now about in the middle g Sept. & the rainy season in the Malnad is nearly over.
8/9/08
Leg)
Put up Rafl. Ages
T.S.R.
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Submitted with a draft.
T.S.R.
11/9/08.
BK 11/9/08
Please put up a clean draft
11/9/08

Submitted with a clean draft.
T.S.R.
14/9/08.
BK 14/9/08
Leg) 14/9/08

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To.

The Agricultural Chemist

No. 8 6084 8, 12.2.'09

State that ~~no concession can be granted~~ there are no reasons justifying the grant of special travelling allowance for touring in order to carry on investigations [illegible]

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Routine Notes.

[To be used only for notes, requisitions, etc., not intended for permanent record.]

Diary No 1831.

This is the letter from Dr Coleman pressing his claims for a special allowance for touring in Malwa. In continuation of his previous Communication forwarded with the Agrl Chemist's letter No 1169 8.9.08

This latter letter bears file No Agri 6-08. This was submitted to the Dewan on 16th Sep 08. Orders.

Under Secretary's note on the present Communication, & the question of travelling allowance has been submitted to Dewan for orders and the letter may be submitted in Continuation. Please

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Call for information as to what the spraying apparatus will cost and whether some ryots also may not be induced to try the experiments if they are so easy?

Submitted with a Draft Calling for the information. The letter may also be submitted to Dewan as directed.

TR 7/10/08. Dated submitted 16/10/08

BK 7/10/08

Draft issued on 21.10.08 & Submitted as directed

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Rd 22/10/08

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Routine Notes.

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Received back from Private Secretary this a.m.

Mr Dawson is awaiting a communication from the Private Secy. about this

BSR
31.10.08

For H.E. Consideration

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Bangalore,

No.1543. 19th January 1909.

Dear Mr. Maconochie,

May I remind you about Dr. Coleman's application for special rates of travelling allowance for travelling in the Malnad during the monsoon. I believe you said that you would ascertain and let me know whether such special rates were allowed to Government of India officers. The file on the subject which I got back from you about the end of October last, is pending disposal.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- V.P. Madhava Rao.

Keep in file

PRIVATE SECRETARY MYSORE

Bangalore
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Dear Sir: Madhava Rao
I greatly regret to
say that the question
of Dr. Coleman's halad
allowance went clean
out of my head. I will
write at once. Yours sincerely
C. Rama Rao

D.O. from No: 1250

PRIVATE SECRETARY MYSORE

Bangalore
1st February
1909

Dear Mr. Madhava Rao

I enclose Mr. Carlyle's reply to my enquiries as to the practice regarding allowances to

No. 105 (Agri.)

Calcutta, the 28th January 1909.

My dear Maconochie,

Your letter of the 20th instant enquiring whether any special travelling allowance is allowed to scientific officers while travelling in hill or jungle tracts. We have no special rates for our experts. But if you refer to Article 1140 and Appendix 29 Civil Service Regulations you will see that special rates of mileage and daily allowance are given either generally or for particular classes of officers in certain localities where travelling is specially expensive or the country is unhealthy. Our agricultural experts get the higher rates which are not restricted to particular classes of officers when they travel in the localities mentioned.

Yours sincerely,

Maconochie, Esq., I.C.S.,

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CHEMICAL LABORATORY. 37/1

Office of the Agricultural Chemist,
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore, July 14th 1908.

From

A. Lehmann, Esquire, M.A., B.S.A., Ph.D.,
Agricultural Chemist to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

To

The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments,
Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith a letter from Dr. Coleman regarding Kolaroga of Supari and endorse all he says about the disease. When I urged that a Mycologist be appointed nearly four years ago I fully expected we should work together both in regard to Kolaroga of Supari and the Spike disease of Sandal and I am convinced that by depriving him of the assistance of an Agricultural Chemist Government has made his work even more difficult than it would otherwise have been.

In regard to Dr. Coleman's tour of inspection of the Areka gardens during the monsoon I may say that the advisability of such a tour is self evident. That it is impossible to undertake such a tour with the ordinary safeguards to one's health on the ordinary travelling allowance I know from personal experience; and I beg to suggest that a special monsoon allowance be given him. When I asked him what he considered a fair travelling allowance for that part of the State during the monsoon would be he suggested that Government supply the transit and he be given halting allowance instead of travelling allowance. I do not

know if that is practicable, but strongly advise that some arrangement be made which will permit him to travel with reasonable comfort during the monsoon without having to spend more money on these tours than his travelling allowances will cover.

The idea of renting for a term of years small areas of Areka nut trees to experiment with is no doubt a sound one. That these trees must represent the average trees of the neighbourhood if the experiments are to be of any practical value is selfevident. But I should advise to limit these experimental plots to as small a number as possible because it is difficult to get the right sort of men to leave in charge of them, and by spreading the experiments over a large area accuracy is likely to suffer. But Dr. Coleman must of course be left to decide on the number of such experimental plots he requires after having made a thorough tour of the affected area.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A. Coleman

Agricultural Chemist.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
CHEMICAL LABORATORY.
No. 4
MYSORE

Office of the Mycologist & Entomologist
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore, July 8th 1908.

From

Leslie C. Coleman, Esq., M.A., Ph.D.,
Mycologist & Entomologist to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore,

Through

The Agricultural Chemist to the Government of Mysore,

To

The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Genl. and Rev. Departments, Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

I beg leave to call the attention of His Highness' Government to the following matters connected with my work as Mycologist. As a result of a tour in the Malnad Areca nut District made during the month of June I have been able to find the cause of the disease, " Kole Roga " so wide spread in those parts. At the same time in order to lose absolutely no time I began a series of preliminary experiments with a view to checking this disease. The results can of course be ascertained first in October when the crop will be harvested. These experiments were restricted to two gardens as I felt that until the work had advanced further and the methods had been tested it would be unwise to introduce them to the ryots themselves.

As a result of my tour I have become firmly convinced that in order to work with any great prospect of success two things will be necessary. In the first place small gardens must be taken over by the Government for the purpose of experimenting. Already this year I have rented a small part of one garden for

my experimenting but as such experiments must be repeated and m many others tried it will be necessary to continue the work for a number of years. If it comes to a question of investigating the question of manuring, of course a lease for a term of years would be all the more imperative. This branch of the work will, I fear, have to be neglected as without the advice of an Agricultural Chemist it will be practically impossible to carry on such experiments.

Such gardens should be leased in every Areca-nut growing Taluk of the Malnad and in the various sections of such which show well marked differences of soil and rainfall. It would be unwise, I believe, to make use of abandoned gardens as all of these that I have seen are in such a state of neglect that it would take at least two years, in most cases more, to bring them back to a state of cultivation, such that they could be expected to give reliable results.

An additional advantage that would accrue through the acquiring of gardens in the various different sections would be that such gardens could be used as demonstration gardens to show the ryots just how " Kole Roga " can be combatted. For instance I am quite convinced that so simple a thing as a careful gathering and burning of diseased nuts etc would greatly lessen the disease. It will however be very difficult to persuade the ryots to practise this as well as other combative measures unless it is actually demonstrated to them that such measures pay. No way can this demonstration be given so ~~effectually~~ effectively as through experimental gardens scattered throughout the areca nut area. The cost of inaugarating such a scheme would be comparatively very small.

Secondly, if such a scheme recommend itself to Government as advisable, it would be necessary for me to make a very thorough tour of the Malnad Areca growing Taluks with a view to ascertaining just where such gardens should be located. It was my

intention to make such a tour and I had in fact already begun it when the heavy rains and the difficulties and expenses of transit caused me to desist. This tour of inspection must, in order to be of any great value, be carried out during July or August. I submit to His Highness' Government that the almost insurmountable difficulties in the way of travelling in these Districts during the monsoon would make the personal expenses of such a tour much greater than my travelling allowance would cover. Unless some arrangements can be made by Government whereby a special allowance could be made for this tour I shall be unable to make it but shall have to wait till the autumn. At that time I shall be able to observe only the results of the disease, nothing of its spread or of the conditions under which it takes place. I submit to His Highness' Government that it is imperative that such a tour of inspection be made in the middle of the monsoon and that a special allowance is necessary in order that I may make the tour without pecuniary loss to myself. Of the great discomforts of such a tour and of the danger to health to one who is quite unaccustomed to such climatic conditions, I do not speak. These things I shall gladly take upon me if Government but gives me its support.

I have the honor to be,

Dear Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Leslie B. Coleman

Mycologist & Entomologist

~~Agricultural Chemist~~.

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Diary No. of letter replied to 356

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.
(Agri)

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Date of issue 5/8/1908

Signed by P. G. D'Souza Esq.

READ—

Letter No 37 dated the 14th July 1908 from the Agricultural Chemist in Mysore suggesting that a special monsoon allowance may be given

~~ORDER THEREON.—No.~~

to Dr. Coleman to enable him to travel with reasonable comfort during the monsoon in the malnad ~~which~~ where such as he has to visit during the months of July and August

over

SUBJECT

Agri 3/8/08

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when travelling is unusually difficult & risky in order to be able to carry out his experiments regarding the nature and prevention of holerage with any success and recommending that small gardens of area not less may be rented for the purpose of these experiments.

Order thereon: — No. R. 812-22 of 5-8-1908

Govt concur with Dr Coleman & the Agricultural Chemist in the advisability of the Director making a tour of inspection in the area not growing labels in the monsoon months in order to study the conditions under which holerage occurs and spreads and trust that he will do so without delay and report the results of his observations

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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to Govt in due course

2. As regards the special travelling allowance which Dr Coleman requires for the purpose of enabling him to make these journeys with comfort and without being put to pecuniary loss, his attention may be drawn to Articles 633 & 634 of the Ins. Regulations under which he is allowed to draw 50 p.c more than the ordinary rates of travelling allowance in consideration of the difficulties of ~~the~~ ~~[illegible]~~ travelling in these tracts. In case he finds even this enhanced rate really insufficient to meet his actual expenses he may, after his next monsoon tour, furnish Govt with a statement showing in detail the expenses incurred by him during and on account of the tour

Who put in the addition

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when Govt will consider what extra allowance, if any, should be sanctioned.

3. Dr Coleman may arrange with the Dy Comrs. of Dists for leasing a small number (to begin with) of area gardens in various parts of the affected tracts. The rents & other expenses will be debited to the proceeds of the special superi cons.

Forbes
22/7/08

BK
22/7/08

To:

The Agri Chemist
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Office of the Agricultural Chemist,
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore, August 8th 1908.

From

A. Lehmann Esquire, M.A., B.S.A., Ph.D.,
Agricultural Chemist to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

To

The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments, Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith a letter from Dr. Coleman in reply to ~~xxxx xxxxxx~~ Govt. Order No.R.818-23/Agri 6-08-2 of 5th August 1908 regarding his travelling allowance when in Shimoga and Kadur Districts to study Koleroga disease during the monsoon. I hope Government will consider his representation of the case as requiring special and favourable consideration. However I fully realise that there are difficulties in the way of granting him a special travelling allowance. To supply Dr. Coleman with transit as suggested by him and as mentioned in my letter No. 371 of July 14th will be expensive unless Government could send out one of their Motor cars for him. As far as I can see that would be the best solution of the difficulty.

As already stated in my letter No. 371 of July 14th Dr. Coleman is quite prepared to exchange the mileage for daily allowance whenever he has free transit for himself. As he must even in that x case often provide carts to convey his personal baggage and private servants and must in addition maintain the same camp equipment as when halting he must of course have some

compensation even if he himself ~~engages~~ enjoys free transit.

I have the honour to be,

Dear Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A. Bilmann

Agricultural Chemist.

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Office of the Mycologist & Entomologist,
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore, August 6th 08.

From

Leslie C. Coleman, Esq., M.A., Ph.D.,
Mycologist & Entomologist to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore,
Through the Agricultural Chemist to the Government of Mysore,

To

The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Genl. & Rev. Departments, Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

With reference to Government Order No.R. 812-22/ Agri. 6-08-2 dated 5th August 1908 passed on letter No. 37 dated 14th July 08 of the Agricultural Chemist, I beg leave to state that, as can be seen by reference to my travelling allowance bills I was perfectly aware of the existence of articles 633 and 634 of the Mysore Service Regulations before making my former communications. I submit further that, if I am not mistaken, the said articles have reference solely to the daily allowance and do not refer at all to the travelling allowance; further, that such extra allowance does not constitute a monsoon allowance but simply a special malnad allowance to meet the additional expense of provisions &c in the malnad districts.

I beg further to submit that I have already pointed out that, in order to make such a study of the Supari disease as is necessary for any intelligent effort at its control, it would be necessary for me to make very frequent halts. The probabilities are that I should be unable to travel more than 10 miles per day. This would mean that I should have for my transport expenses and extra cost of provisions the sum of Rs. 7-8-0

per diem which I know from experience ~~is~~ to be quite inadequate.

In connection with this subject I should like further to call the attention of Government to the fact that Government officials practically never travel in the districts mentioned during the monsoon simply on account of the great expenses and difficulties of transport.

I regret exceedingly that Government has found it necessary to make such a reply to my communication. I had hoped to be able to make a thorough study of this important disease but submit that Government cannot in justice expect me to undergo the hardships attendant on such a tour of investigation and at the same time to take money out of my own pocket to pay the extra expenses incurred. I trusted that I had made this matter sufficiently clear in my former communication. As indicated in that communication I shall, unless Government sees fit in some way to meet my request in this matter, be compelled to give up the tour I had planned or rather to make it later when the conditons of the weather and the roads make it possible for me to do so without pecuniary loss . As I have already pointed out a tour made at such a time will, I fear, be, comparatively speaking, of little use both as regards studying the spread of the disease as well as in enabling me to decide where experimental gardens should be situated. Such experiments as I have already begun will, of course, also be rendered practically useless.

I have the honor to be,

Dear Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Leslie C. Coleman

Mycologist & Entomologist.

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Office of the Mycologist & Entomologist,

Government of Mysore,

Bangalore, September 28th 1908.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE MYSORE
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From

Leslie C. Coleman, Esq., M.A., Ph.D.,

Mycologist & Entomologist to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore,

To

The Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

Genl. & Rev. Department, Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

In my letter No. 20 of August 6th 1908 enclosed in the communication No. 116 of August 8th 1908 of the Agricultural Chemist I brought before Government the necessity of providing some special travelling allowance for travelling during the rainy season in the malnad. I pointed out that I could not under the present conditions tour in that region at the very time when it was most necessary for me to do so. I also pointed out that unless some such arrangement could be made before the close of the rains much valuable time would be lost.

Up to the present I have received no reply to my communication. The result is that I am very much less well informed upon the subject of Koleroga of supari than I should have been had such arrangement been made.

It is my intention to make a tour of the koleroga ~~infx~~ infected Districts soon after the Dasara Holidays with a view to leasing gardens for experimental purposes, work that I had intended doing in August had I received the expected reply from Government in this matter.

I submit to Government again the necessity of considering and passing orders upon the matter so that at the beginning of the next rainy season there shall be no delay in my experimental work.

I should like also to state briefly the results up tp the present of my experiments on koleroga this season. On the 26th and 28th of June I performed some spraying experiments on koleroga ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ in Sagar Taluk. I fitted up special apparatus for this work and found that the coolies who are employed by the supari garden owners to tie on Kottés could be quite easily taught to do the spraying. I used a special adhesive substance to make the fungicidal mixture stick to the bunches. This was so successful that after more than two months of heavy rains the mixture was still to be found plentifully on the sprayed bunches even where no coverings were used whatever. B. Mariswamy, Agricultural Inspector who assisted me in the spraying in June was sent to inspect the gardens the middle of September. He reports that in the gardens where the spraying was done all the untreated trees were affected by koleroga. Those trees which had been sprayed showed no signs of the disease except in the case of 3 or 4 trees which had already, in June before the spraying was done been ~~affected~~ attacked. Even on these trees the spraying had checked the disease as indicated by the presence of a number of sound nuts on them. I am making arrangements for the procuring of cheaper and more handy sprayers for next season and believe that spraying will prove little if any dearer than the tying on of Kottés now universally practised by the garden owners. On the other hand while the tying of Kottés does, in my opinion, very little indeed in the way of checking the disease, spraying will according to present prospects reduce the losses to a minimum. I think it wise, however, to go cautiously in the matter; hence I propose next season to restrict spraying experiments almost entirely to the gardens leased by Government. I am making plans besides for some other experiments on these same experimental gardens.

I respectfully submit again, therefore, to the consideration of Government the necessity for a special travelling allowance for the months of June, July and August in order to allow me the opportunity of making a thorough investigation of this important matter next season.

I have the honor to be,

Dear Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Leslie B. Coleman

Mycologist & Entomologist.

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Serial No. 5

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No. R 2382

General and Revenue Secretariat
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Date of issue 21. 10. 08

Signed by Mr. P. G. D'Souza

To The Mycologist and Entomologist to Govt.

Sir.

With reference to your letter No 81 dated the 28th Sep. 08 pressing your claims for a Special allowance for touring in Malnad and referring to the partial success of Spraying ~~with~~ ~~which~~ tried in some Supari gardens, I am directed to request you to be so good as to state what the Spraying apparatus will cost and whether some ryots also may not

over.

SUBJECT.

be induced to try the experiments if they are within their reach.

I have &c

for Secretary.

BK
7/10/08

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No. 124

Office of the Mycologist & Entomologist,
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore, October 22nd 1908.

From

Leslie C. Coleman, Esq., M.A., Ph.D.,
Mycologist & Entomologist to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore,

To

The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Genl. and Rev. Department, Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. R. 2382 / Agri. 608-5 dated the 21st of October 1908 I beg leave to state that the spraying apparatus will cost in the neighbourhood of Rs. 50/-. This apparatus has of course never been used in India and I am ordering only a single one that I may test it here in a garden before ordering more of them. The sprayer that was in use during this season was a much more expensive one costing about Rs. 130/-. I think it quite possible that some of the ryots might be induced to try the experiments but believe it would be very unwise indeed to ask them to do so. The whole investigation is in its initial stage and any mistakes or failures such as are almost certain to occur at the beginning even when kept under scientific control would if the experiments were left in the hands of the ryots be multiplied many times. Furthermore failures resulting from such mistakes would tend very strongly to destroy the confidence of the ryots. I need simply mention as an analogous case the well known unfortunate results in the early stages of plague inoculation to illustrate this point. In my opinion it would be most unwise to introduce the preventive measures I am

working on, to the ryots, till they have been thoroughly tested under various conditions for at least one year and it would be a still sounder policy to wait for two years before recommending these measures generally for use through out the affected districts.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Leslie C. Coleman

Mycologist & Entomologist.

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Serial No. 9

Diary No. of letter replied to

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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Date of issue 12/2/09

Signed by

READ—

G. O. No. R 812-22/Agri 6-08-2 dated the 5th August 1908 requiring Dr. Coleman to make a tour of inspection in the Malnad for studying Koleroga of Supari and stating that

~~ORDER THEREON—No.~~

as regards the special allowances asked for by him, the rules (Art. 633 & 634 M.S.R) allow the grant of 50 p.c. more than the ordinary rate (daily allowance) for travelling in Malnad.

2) Letter No 116 dated the 8th

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SUBJECT

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August 1908 from the Agricultural Chemist forwarding a further representation from Dr. Coleman in the matter.

Order thereon.

Govt do not consider that the reasons advanced by Dr. Coleman are sufficient to justify the grant of any special ~~concessions~~ concessions to him for travelling in the Malnad during the Monsoon months to carry on his investigations into Koleroga. The study of Koleroga is not outside the sphere of the ordinary duties of an Entomologist and Mycologist and the grant of any special allowance under the circumstances would be objectionable in principle. Dr. Coleman is under a misapprehension in supposing that the enhanced rate of daily allowance granted in

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in the Malwa is intended to meet the extra cost of provisions in the Malwa. Travelling allowance is intended to meet the actual travelling expenses of an officer incurred in the interests of public service and is so fixed as to provide for all reasonable expenses in all ordinary cases at all times of the year. If any individual officer finds these rates insufficient he has to adjust his expenditure to them or meet the extra cost from his own pocket and he would be regarded as failing in his official duties if he avoided undertaking journeys which he deemed necessary for the proper performance of his duties on account of the cost which they would involve. ~~to him.~~ Govt trust that Dr Coleman will view his claim in this light and not postpone his investigation into the disease of Supari which forms a most important part of his duties and thus lose the most suitable occasions for it.

As for the suggestion of supplying

Dr Coleman with a free motor car, Govt regret that no car can be spared at present. Advances to touring officers for purchasing motor cars are made under G.O. No 7L 626-46/Gen Fin 365-07 dated the 5th August 1908 and there is no objection to Dr Coleman's taking advantage of this privilege, if he considers that a motor car will enable him to perform his tours more comfortably

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Put up for orders in reference have regarding the practice prevailing in the Govt of India

2/2/1909

× See DO correspondence appended.

1. Demi DO to Govt of Madras no. 19, dt. 15243

2. Reply to the above, No. — of 1. 2. 09 with its enclosure (Govt No 1250)

3 Also Mr Duncan's ad-hoc topics rep of 20.1.09.

To. The Agricultural Chemist.

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~~that~~ if he ~~mutilate~~ ~~amputation~~ ~~or~~ would
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